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1. MURRAY SEEGER OF LATIMES FORMALLY APPLIED MAY 15 TO MFA FOR MULTIPLE ENTRY- EXIT VISA FOR SELF AND FAMILY. OTHER CORRESPONDENTS PLAN TO DO THIS AND BRING ATTENTION TO HOME OFFICES. (NOTE APRIL 28 CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR AND RECENT NEW YORK TIMES EDITORIAL SEEKING BETTER SHAKE FOR CORRESPONDENTS.) P& C PLANS EARLY FOLLOWUP WITH MFA ON OVERALL QUESTION (REFTEL A).

2. ON TRAVEL FRONT, FIVE U. S. CORRESPONDENTS LEFT MAY 21 ON 4- DAY MFA- ARRANGED TRIP TO KAMA, TOGLIATTI FOLLOWING VISITING CBS PRODUCER BILL BROWN TRIP THERE. SHABAD OF NYTIMES INCLUDED DESPITE EARLIER NOVOSTI WITHDRAWAL OF PERMIT FOLLOWING STRONG HARRISON SALISBURY LETTER TO THEM COMPLAINING THAT NOVOSTI- PROVIDED LETTER FROM SOLZHENITSYN'S FIRST WIFE (WHICH TIMES RAN IN APRIL) DISPROVED BY WOMAN'S SUBSEQUENT DENIAL THROUGH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AP. MFA ALSO OFFERING CORRESPONDENTS DUSHANBE TRIP
WEEK OF MAY 28. SEEGER COMPLETED SATISFACTORY TBILISI-
EREVAN TRIP DENIED LAST FALL DURING NYC BALLET VISIT
THERE. ONLY RECENT TURNDOWN INVOLVED LEDDINGTON OF AP
WHO WAS DENIED PERMISSION LAST FRIDAY TO DRIVE CAR BACK
FROM HELSINKI. THIS APPARENTLY PART OF MANY TURNDOWNS TO
WESTERNERS OVER LAST FEW DAYS (REFTEL B).

3. BROWN REPORTS TENTATIVE APPROVAL " IN PRINCIPLE"
BREZHNEV PROFILE BEFORE U. S. VISIT, TO BE FILMED SECOND
WEEK IN JUNE. ON SEPARATE TRADE DEVELOPMENT STORY,
EMBASSY COORDINATED BROWN MAY 22 FILMING SEN. FANNIN
ARRIVAL MINTRADE, MEETING, BRIEF INTERVIEW. BROWN
PERMITTED REMAIN DURING 90- MINUTE MEETING TO FILM AT
WILL, AND USE ROOM AFTER FOR 20- MINUTE FANNIN INTERVIEW
WITH ONLY EMBOFF PRESENT.
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